

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
MCALLEN DIVISION**

THE STATE OF MISSOURI, and	§	
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THE STATE OF TEXAS,	§	
	§	Case No. 7:21-cv-00420
Plaintiffs,	§	(formerly No. 6:21-cv-00052)
	§	(consolidated with No. 7:21-cv-00272)
v.	§	
	§	
JOSEPH R. BIDEN, JR., in his official	§	
capacity as President of the United	§	
States of America, <i>et al.</i> ,	§	
	§	
Defendants.	§	

**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Notice is hereby given that Plaintiffs in Case No. 7:21-cv-00420, the States of Missouri and Texas, appeal to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit from the orders of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas dismissing the States' action and denying their preliminary injunction (ECF No. 57).

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